

About This Area

Harry S Truman Reservoir management lands consist of 54,000 acres distributed around the reservoir in parts of Henry, Benton, Hickory and St. Clair counties in west central Missouri. The reservoir lies within the upper Osage River basin where the Ozarks meet the Plains.

Historically, Native Americans occupying this area were principally Osage, Shawnee and Kickapoo. Early explorers and pioneers making their way west traveled the basin, while the French trapped along the Osage River and traded with the Indians. Place names like Marais des Cygnes, Marmaton, Pomme de Terre and Thibaut are vivid reminders of the early French influence in the Upper Osage Valley.

Nearby Department Areas:
 Connor O. Fewel Conservation Area
 Chapel View Prairie Conservation Area
 Ulrich Conservation Area
 Montrose Conservation Area
 LaDue Bottoms Conservation Area
 Poague Conservation Area

For local information, contact:
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 Clinton MO 64735
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Land surrounding Harry S. Truman Reservoir Management Lands belongs to private landowners. The boundaries adjoining private property are clearly marked. Please respect landowners' rights with these simple courtesies: obtain permission before going on private property, pick up all litter, be careful with fire, do not damage property, practice safe hunting.

Your comments and suggestions regarding area facilities and management are welcome.

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

Harry S. Truman

Reservoir Management Lands

Bethlehem, Brownington, Cedar Creek, Deepwater Creek, Gouge Eye and Grand River Wildlife Management Areas



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Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching - Fishing - Hunting - Hiking -
Wildlife Viewing - Outdoor Photography

Conservation areas are closed from 10p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing, and hunting activities.

Rules and Regulations

- No littering.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- No ATV's except for Corps of Engineers Cooper Creek ATV Area
- Motor vehicles are restricted to authorized roadways and parking areas
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- No collecting artifacts or any other activity that damages or disturbs historical or archeological features.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only.
- Horseback riding is permitted only on roads open to vehicles.
- Camping is permitted only in Corps of Engineers developed campgrounds and Cross Timbers Access.
- Target shooting is permitted only on designated public shooting ranges. The nearest range is the Golden Valley Shooting Range located 6 miles west of Clinton on 18 Highway.



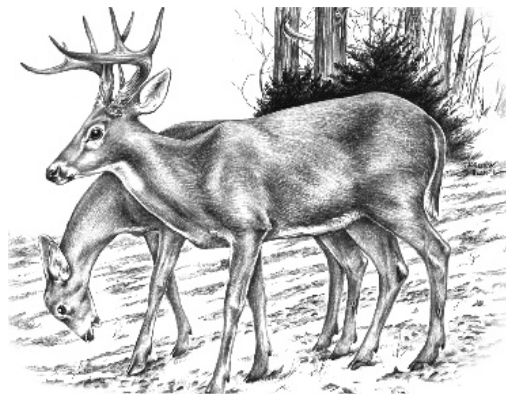
Hunting

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations, except that frogs may not be taken with a firearm. The following special regulations also apply to all areas. *(Also found in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code.)*

Only portable tree stands are allowed and only between September 1 and January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the owner and be removed from the area before February 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.

Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Waterfowl blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation. (See the Corps of Engineers Truman Project Waterfowl Hunting Blind Policy.)

Trapping furbearers allowed only by special use permit.



Fishing

All water beyond the designated reservoir boundary are open to statewide regulations

Truman Lake

See the Wildlife Code for fishing regulations on Truman Reservoir.

Area Ponds

- Area ponds are open to fishing year round, except for those designated closed by posting.
- In ponds, fish may be taken only by pole and line and no more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.
- In area ponds all black bass between 12 and 15 inches must be released unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Daily limits are six black bass, four catfish, 30 crappie, and 20 of all other fish combined.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season only by hand, handnet, gig, longbow, or hook and line and only in waters open to fishing.
- Seining and trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all impounded waters and their discharge channels.
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife-related activities only and may not be stored or left unattended overnight. Electric motors only are allowed.
- No swimming allowed in area ponds.

The information in this brochure relates to the portion of the land around Truman Reservoir which the Missouri Department of Conservation manages. Please contact the Corps of Engineers for regulations on the remainder of the land around Truman Reservoir.